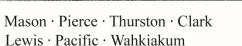


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Southwest Washington and South Puget Sound

Many of Washington's oldest Centennial Farms are in the 13 counties in the Southwest Washington and South Puget Sound region. In fact, six of the responding farms in this region have been in the same family for more than 150 years, including all three Thurston County farms.

Over the past 25 years, Washington agriculture has seen more direct marketing, the advent and growth of organic farming, and increased emphasis on "buy local" and sustainable agriculture. These trends stand out among this region's Centennial Farms.

Shrinking farm sizes

The number and size of the Centennial Farms in Southwest Washington and South Puget Sound has decreased, more so than in other parts of the state. More than half of the responding farms reported they farmed less land than they did in 1989 or that the farm had left family ownership.

Generally, it's the Centennial Farms in the urban counties that are smaller operations today. For example, the Nix Farm in Puyallup, which produced corn, pumpkins, strawberries and Christmas trees on 22 acres in 1989, now leases its last 10 acres of farmland to a blackberry grower who operates a roadside stand on the property.

Bi-Zi Farms, just minutes northeast of Vancouver, operated 700 acres in 1989; today it's a 115-acre operation with an on-farm store, where Bill and Peggy Zimmerman direct market vegetables and berries and offer agri-tourism experiences.

Response to Reconnecting with Washington's Centennial Farms

Of the 53 Centennial Farms in this region, 41 responded to the 2014 questionnaire. Of those, 33 continue to be owned by a descendant of the 1889 landowner.

		Number of	
Region / Counties	Centennial	Farms	Still in the
	Farms	responding	same family
Southwest Washington & South Puget Sound	53	41	33
Clallam & Jefferson	6	5	4
King & Kitsap	5	4	3
Mason, Pierce & Thurston	10	8	8
Grays Harbor & Lewis	17	13	9
Pacific & Wahkiakum	6	5	4
Clark & Cowlitz	9	6	4

In the more rural counties, the farm size of Centennial Farms has stayed the same or slightly expanded. For example, the seven farms still in the same families in Lewis County are the same size or larger today than they were in 1989, ranging from 112 to 200 acres.

Expanding local markets

Several farms reported they are leveraging their location and taking advantage of the "Buy Local" trend by offering direct sales at the farm or through farmers markets and local shops. And it's not just berries and vegetables. The Colvin and Spirlock/Nelson ranches in





Thurston County direct market their natural, grass-fed beef and promote the sustainability practices of their 550- and 1,000-acre operations.

Organic practices have been embraced by several farms. The Woodcock Farm in Clallam County, which produced oats and barley in 1989, is now leased to a young farmer who produces organic vegetables. Jim and Janie Austin, owners of the Austin Farm in Grays Harbor County, switched their dairy to organic production in 2006 and with their son, Ron, also raise organic hay, silage and beef cattle.



Colton, Nicole and Tony Carr of SunnyCrest Farm in Pierce County direct market their beef, eggs and hay, and are committed to practices to improve and sustain land health. The Carrs have added more livestock, they rotate crops and livestock, and "try new things to see what works best."

Centennial Farms by the numbers: 1989 vs 2014

- Of the 33 farms still in the family, 18 are owned by the same owners as in 1989. Ten have been passed on to a child or grandchild. Three are owned by the 1989 owner and the next generation, and two are now owned by cousins or a nephew.
- Twenty-four farms list the current owner as the day-to-day operator of the farm, two list the current owner and a child, three list a child or grandchild as the operator, and four are leased out.
- The general trend in farm size is smaller, with the average size shrinking from 270 acres in 1989 to 195 acres in 2014. Farm size in 1989 ranged from 20 to 807 acres, and in 2014, from 12 to 600 acres.
- Acres operated by the Centennial Farms in King, Pierce and Clark counties average 45 acres while the farms in Thurston, Lewis and Grays Harbor average 295 acres.
- As in 1989, the top crops in 2014 on these farms are beef cattle, hay and timber. The number of commercial dairies dropped from six in 1989 to one in 2014.
- Of the eight farms no longer owned by Centennial Farm families, four are still farmed, one is a gravel mining operation, and three did not provide information.

Several farms in this region are featured in the *Overview*, including Bi-Zi Farms, The Austin Farm and The Spirlock/Nelson Farm.



Nicole
Niemann-Carr
and her family
live on the farm,
as do her
grandmother
and aunt. Her
dad lives across
the road.





CLALLAM COUNTY

The James Clark Farm, est. 1887

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Current Owner: Elliot K. Clark, Jr.

Relationship to 1989 Owner: one of the owners

Current Operator: Elliot K. Clark, Jr.

Relationship to Owner: same

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
160	160	360	240	240	Hay, beef cattle, quarter horses	Black Angus cattle, quarter horses, Aronia berries

Changes in the Past 25 Years: We are experimenting with growing Aronia berries and blueberries.

Contact: Elliot K. Clark, Jr., 58034 Hwy 112, Port Angeles, WA 98363

Overview of the farm listings

Each farm listing contains the information provided by Centennial Farm families in response to the WSDA questionnaire. Each listing is a 2014 snapshot of the farm's ownership, family connections, size of operation, and crops and livestock produced. It often includes comments about changes in the last 25 years and, as much as possible, is in the voice of the respondent.

Each listing notes the page number for the farm's profile in the 1989 book, *Washington's Centennial Farms – Yesterday and Today* or its addendum, available on the WSDA website. A farm's 2014 listing is best understood and appreciated when read with its 1989 profile, where you'll find information on the farm's establishment and its operation at the time of the state's Centennial.

The chapter is organized alphabetically by county, and within the county, alphabetically by farm name. Farms that did not respond are listed at the end of the chapter.

The William King Farm, est. 1863

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Current Owner: Robert J. Clark

Relationship to 1989 Owner: one of the owners Current Operator: Thomas J. Clark (lessee)

Relationship to Owner: son

Origina	ginal Acres Acres		Crops or Liv	estack Baisad		
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
116	91	116	186 106			Hay, beef cattle, pigs, buffalo

Changes in the Past 25 Years: The present barn, built in 1922, was restored in 1996. In 2000, the 1870's farmhouse was renovated and opened as Clark's Chambers Bed & Breakfast along with the addition of a separate owner's quarters.

Additional Information: In 1992, the estate of Elliot King Clark was settled. Robert J. Clark became sole owner of the William King Farm and Elliot King Clark Jr. became sole owner of the James Clark Farm. Since then, Robert Clark has deeded 25 acres of the original homestead land to his two daughters and his son, Thomas, who does most of the farming now.

Contact: Robert J. Clark, 322 Clark Rd., Sequim, WA 98382

The Woodcock Farm, est. 1884

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Current Owner: Gwendolyn Gagnon Jones **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** one of the owners

Current Operator: Noah Bresler **Relationship to Owner:** friend

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Liv	restock Baised
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	20	14	1988	2014
110	36	110	36	36	barley, wheat,	Organic produce - more than 20 kinds of vegetables, some livestock





Changes in the Past 25 Years: I became sole owner in 2008 and I sold 75 acres of the farm to Noah Bresler in 2011. Noah also leases the remaining original 36 acres from me.

Additional Information: Noah Bresler is maintaining the land as a farm and keeping it in agriculture, connecting to Centennial days through organic farming methods. He sells through direct market and wholesale.

Contact: Noah Bresler, 2800 Woodcock Rd., Sequim, WA 98532

CLARK COUNTY

The Anderson Farm, est. 1865

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This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. The farm left family ownership in 1999 when it was sold to John and Sandra Perrott.

Is the Land Still Farmed? Yes, the Perrotts are the first family who are not descendants of the original pioneer family to live here since 1865. We do not actively farm the land but it does yield a crop of wheat and hay for our lessee.

Bi-Zi Farms, est. 1872

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Current Owner: Bill and Peggy Zimmerman

Relationship to 1989 Owner: same

Current Operator: Bill and Doug Zimmerman **Relationship to Owner:** one of the owners and son

Original Acres		Acres			Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Liv	estock Raiseu
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
40	40	700	105	115	Oats, certified clover seed	Berries, vegetables, agri- tourism: Pumpkin Patch & Harvest Festival

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Changed from grain and clover seed production to row-crop vegetables and berries.

Additional Information: In 2000, we built a small on-farm store and direct market about 98% of our berries and veggies. Agri-tourism is another venture that we have added to the farm.

Contact: Bill or Peggy Zimmerman, 9504 N.E. 119th St., Vancouver, WA 98662

The Hazen/Frasier Farm, est. 1876

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Current Owner: Dennis Frasier Relationship to 1989 Owner: same Current Operator: Dennis Frasier Relationship to Owner: same

Origina	Original Acres Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised				
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	d Crops of Livestock Raised		estock Raiseu
1989	2014	1989	2014			1988	2014
20	20	20	20	20	Beef		Hay, cattle, burros

Changes in the Past 25 Years: None.

Additional Information: All of the original buildings are still in use. Correction to the 1989 Book: The family has since acquired copies of Enoch Hazen's homestead papers documenting that the farm was established in 1876.

Contact: Dennis Frasier, 12100 N.E. Grantham Rd., Amboy, WA 98601

The Mattson Farm. est. 1883

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Current Owner: Erik and Betty Mattson, Allan and Susan Mattson

Relationship to 1989 Owner: surviving family members

Current Operator: Erik O. Mattson

Relationship to Owner: one of the owners





Origina	l Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Liv	estock Raised
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
81	81	81	81	81	Hay, trees	Timber, raspberries, blueberries, strawberries, blackberries

Changes in the Past 25 Years: In 1989, the fields were leased. The original house, built in 1883, is used daily. The original wagon barn has collapsed. The barn is still standing.

Additional Information: The farm was owned by Laine Mattson and her three sons from 1976 to 2011. The three brothers owned the farm from 2011 to 2013. The two surviving brothers are now the owners. We currently partner with neighboring Majestic Farms, which was part of the original 1889 John Erik Mattson farm. The farm is also known as "The Red Barn Farm."

Correction to the 1989 Book: John Erik Mattson came to the United States in 1882.

Contact: Erik O. Mattson, P.O. Box 754, Camas, WA 98607

COWLITZ COUNTY

The Bebe Farm, est. 1889

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Current Owner: Alden and Ann Bebe Relationship to 1989 Owner: same Current Operator: Alden and Ann Bebe

Relationship to Owner: same

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
40	40	40	75	75	Appaloosa	Horses, trees
					horses, Douglas	(Douglas fir and
					fir trees	alder)

Changes in the Past 25 Years: The trees are taller.

Additional Information: Farm name is now Peder's Odd Hope Farm.

The original log house built by my grandfather in 1889/90 still stands.

Contact: Alden and Ann Bebe, 640 Beebe Rd., Castle Rock, WA 98611

We have harvested about 15 acres of mature Douglas fir.

N.B. Gardner Tree Farm, est. 1882

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Current Owner: Lucille M. Gardner Relationship to 1989 Owner: widow Current Operator: Sam Gardner Relationship to Owner: son

Original Acres			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Liv	estock Raiseu
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
55	55	505	more	more	Timber, hay	Timber
			than 300	than 300		

Changes in the Past 25 Years: We still plant and harvest timber as needed.

Additional Information: N.B. Gardner is deceased as of August 19, 1989. We still plant and grow timber after each harvest. The farm will be left to my family after I am deceased.

Contact: Lucille M. Gardner, 1512 S. Toutle Rd., Toutle, WA 98649

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

The Austin Farm, est. 1878

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Current Owner: James and Janie Austin Relationship to 1989 Owner: same Current Operator: James and Ron Austin

Relationship to Owner: one of the owners and the owners' son, the

fifth generation





Origina	l Acres		Acres		Crana ar Li	vestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Liv	estock Kaiseu	
1989	2014	1989	20	14	1988	2014	
133	133	153	162	316	Hay, dairy cattle, young stock	Organic dairy with 172 animals, organic Black Angus with 30 animals, organic hay, organic silage	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Besides switching to organic production eight years ago, our biggest change is milking with two DeLaval robots and all the supporting machinery.

Additional Information: Formed Austin Family Farm LLC with our son Ron. He will eventually own the farm.

Contact: James T. Austin, 320 Elma Gate Rd. E., Oakville, WA 98568

The Glenn Farm, est. 1868

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Current Owner: Donna Glenn Hagen and Eric Fellhauer **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** daughter and grandson

Current Operator: Donna Glenn Hagen **Relationship to Owner:** one of the owners

Origina	I Acres	Acres			Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Liv	estock Raised
1989	2014	1989	20	14	1988	2014
52	52	52	124	154	Hay and grain for dairy herd	Dairy (Jersey, Holstein, milking Shorthorn), beef (Shorthorn, Hereford, miniature Hereford), hogs, hay and haylage

Changes in the Past 25 Years: It's larger with more diversity (hogs, haylage). Although we have some newer implements, we still have and use the implements used in 1989. We produce milk-fed weiner pigs and locker pork as well as pasture-fed beef, hay and haylage.

Additional Information: 1913-1963 owners: Gilbert Glenn and Faye Glenn, 1963-2001: Donald Gilbert Glenn (died at age 85 in 1999) and

Grace Glenn (died at age 98 in 2012), 2001-present: Donna Glenn Hagen and Eric Fellhauer. Eric is the fifth generation to farm.

Contact: Donna Glenn Hagen, 354 Monte Brady Rd., Montesano, WA 98563

The Koch Farm, est. 1889

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This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. The farm left family ownership in 2014.

Is the Land Still Farmed? Yes. Karl Koch raised cattle, cut hay, and harvested timber on the land settled by his grandparents until 2000 when he moved into assisted living in Elma. A neighbor has harvested the hay and there have been several timber harvests since then. When Karl died in 2008, ownership of the farm passed to the Karl M. Koch Estate with Karl's 11 nieces and nephews as recipients of the estate. About half of the farm was sold in 2012 and the remainder in August 2014. Both new owners intend to keep the land in timber.

Contact: Jan Ordos, 2334 Marina Ln. S.E., Lacey, WA 98503

The McDougal Farm, est. 1888

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This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. The farm left family ownership in 1997.

Is the Land Still Farmed? Yes. Carl Powers and Luann Graydon have honeybees and operate Noble Valley Farm, a 10-acre Christmas tree farm, on the 57.5 acres they purchased from Bud McDougal in October 1997. Charles McDougal died in 2004 at age 93.

Contact: Carl Powers and Luann Graydon, 25 Sickman Ford Rd., Oakville, WA 98568





JEFFERSON COUNTY

The Broderson Homestead. est. 1882

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This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. The farm left family ownership in 1992.

Is the Land Still Farmed? Yes. Bill and Dorothy Broderson were both 92 years old when they sold the farm to Michael and Laura Kitchen, who raise registered Black Angus cattle and hay.

Contact: Michael Kitchen, 5944 Center Rd., Chimacum, WA 98325

The Charles Johnson Farm, est. 1887

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 $\textbf{Current Owner:} \ Thomas \ Johnson, \ Diane \ Johnson, \ Barbara \ McClary,$

Elizabeth Nelson, Claudia Johnson, Charles Johnson

Relationship to 1989 Owner: sons, daughters, cousins, second cousins **Current Operator:** Beth Nelson, Thomas Johnson and Charles Johnson

Relationship to Owner: three of the current owners

Original Acres			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
74	68	164				Cattle, hay, timber,
					timber farm	horse pasture

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Homesteader Charles Johnson's children and their spouses have now died. Several cousins and their children now own parts of the original farm. Three new homes have been built on various parcels by these grandchildren, and the farming acreage is smaller, though two of the homes have been incorporated into timber lands. Non-family members own three parcels, one of which is still farmed, raising sheep for wool. Because the elders lived to a ripe old age, some buildings (including barns), fencing, and the fields themselves, fell into considerable disrepair. Happily, the great-grandchildren are refurbishing and rejuvenating, and the farm will continue producing great grass-fed beef.

Additional Information: Georgena Johnson, Erving's wife, was the last of the original sibling generation to pass on in 2014. She was chosen as one of the Pioneers of the Year for the 2010 Quilcene Parade, a special honor. We are pleased that Charles Johnson's namesake, great-grandson Charles Lee Johnson, is purchasing his grandparents', Georgena's and Erving's, home as I write, and plans to continue farming with his father, Thomas.

Contact: Diane Johnson, 1521 Dabob Rd., Quilcene, WA 98376

KING COUNTY

Lagesson Homestead, est. 1885

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Current Owner: David Knadle, Lois Clapper, Grant Knadle, Alice

Kubisky

Relationship to 1989 Owner: same **Current Operator:** David Knadle

Relationship to Owner: one of the owners

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated		
1989	2014	1989	20	14	1988	2014
102	100	179	175	85	Beef cattle, fruit, vegetables, timber	Beef cattle, hay, pasture

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Very little has changed. Many original buildings still stand: house, barn, second house, garage, woodshed, smokehouse, privy, blacksmith shop, pig house, pump house.

Contact: Dave Knadle, 20202 S.E. 216th St., Maple Valley, WA 98038





The Peacock Farm, est. 1888

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Current Owner: Richard R. Peacock Relationship to 1989 Owner: same Current Operator: Richard R. Peacock

Relationship to Owner: same

Origina	l Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised		
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raiseu		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
30	30	30	30 30		Beef cattle	Fruit trees and	
						open space	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Due to King County rules and regulations, we no longer raise cattle. The 1889 house and 1900 barn still stand.

Contact: Richard R. Peacock, 26602 S.E. 208th St., Maple Valley, WA 98038

The Sikes Meadowlake Farm, est. 1882

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This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. Kenneth and Edna Sikes died in 1999 and 2000 and the property was sold in 2004.

KITSAP COUNTY

The Martinson Farm, est. 1889

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Current Owner: Vernon Martinson, Cathy and Sam Allen **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** same, stepdaughter and son-in-law

Current Operator: Sam and Cathy Allen **Relationship to Owner:** two of the owners

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
36	36	36	36	12	Beef and dairy	Timber and
					cattle	Garden

Additional Information: This farm was a dairy for over 100 years. In 1970, I started a topsoil and bark company on the property. The business grew quickly and I sold the cows after a few years. In 1998, I sold the topsoil business to my stepdaughter and her husband. I have kept 12 acres in farm and timber.

The family cabin, built in 1897, was donated to the Poulsbo Historical Society and moved to Nelson Park in 2003. Some of Mikal Martinson's hand tools used to build the cabin are on display.

Contact: Vernon R. Martinson, 20509 State Hwy 305 N.E., Poulsbo, WA 98370

LEWIS COUNTY

The Frase Farm, est. 1889

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Current Owner: Steve and John Frase **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** sons **Current Operator:** Steve and John Frase

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Liv	estock Kaiseu
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
147	147	173	190	190	Hay, beef cattle	Grass, hay and horses

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Very little has changed since 1989. *Additional Information:* The property has passed down from Gene and Gladys Frase to sons Steve and John Frase.

Contact: John Frase, 183 Pigeon Springs Rd., Onalaska, WA 98570





The Hilpert Farm, est. 1858

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This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. The land left family ownership in 1998.

Is the Land Still Farmed? No. Hamlet Hilpert leased, and later sold, the land to Sterling Breen Crushing for a gravel pit operation.

The Francis Layton Farm, est. 1851

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Current Owner: Tom & Sharon Layton

Relationship to 1989 Owner: two of the owners

Current Operator: Tom Layton **Relationship to Owner:** same

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
65	65	160	200 200		Grain, peas, beef	
					cows	timber

Changes in the Past 25 Years: More grains and timber.

Additional Information: New partners are our children, Oren Brian Layton and wife Sarah, Elizabeth Layton Jochim and husband Brian, Amy Marie Layton Hite and husband Ryan, and grandchildren.

Contact: Tom and Sharon Layton, 274 Layton Rd., Toledo, WA 98591

The Francis Layton Home/Kirkendoll Farm, est. 1851 Page 34

This Centennial Farm is no longer owned by the family that owned it in 1989. Part of the original 641 acres of land acquired by Francis Layton and later divided into four family farms, this farm was owned by Gary Kirkendoll in 1989. Gary passed away in early 2011, and the farm was sold in recent years by his widow.

Contact: Margaret Cole, 387 Larmon Rd., Ethel, WA 98542

The Layton/Armstrong Farm, est. 1867

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Current Owner: Greg and Signora Armstrong

Relationship to 1989 Owner: son and daughter-in-law

Current Operator: Virginia Matthews

Relationship to Owner: lessee

Original Acres			Acres		Crops or Livestock Baised		
Retained		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
160	160	160	170	160	Christmas trees	Hay and oats	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: From 1989 to 2005, Christmas trees were the main crop. From 2006 to 2011, wheat was raised. Since 2012,

haylage and oats are being raised.

Additional Information: Bob and Edna Armstrong are deceased and Greg and Signora Armstrong started managing the farm in 2011.

Contact: Greg and Signora Armstrong, P.O. Box 1168, Toledo, WA 98591

The Layton/Kirkendoll Farm, est. 1867

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Current Owner: Beverly Kirkendoll

Relationship to 1989 Owner: daughter-in-law

Current Operator: Beverly Kirkendoll

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres			Acres		Crans at Livesteck Reised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
140	140	140	na	na	Hay, grain, beef cattle	na

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Edith Layton Kirkendoll worked on this parcel pretty well into her 90's. She passed away at the age of 100 years, one month and five days in 2004. The farm passed to her son Gary, who passed away in 2011. His widow is Beverly Kirkendoll.

Contact: Beverly Kirkendoll, 191 Layton Rd., Toledo, WA 98591





Nelson Tree Farm, Inc., est. 1889

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Current Owner: George H. Nelson, Jr., and Beverly (Nelson) Bein

Relationship to 1989 Owner: son and daughter Current Operator: George H. Nelson Jr. Relationship to Owner: one of the owners

Origina	I Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised		
Retained		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raised		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
80	80	160	160	160	Douglas fir trees	Long term timber	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: No change since 1989; selective thinning on mature trees.

Additional Information: The main two owners (brother and sister) are trying to incorporate the fourth generation (brother and sister) into the long term goals for the tree farm. A small family ashes burial plot, located where the original 1889 home once stood, has been registered with Washington state as a historic gravesite.

Contact: George H. Nelson Jr., 31831 S.E. Proctor St., Gresham, OR 97080

The Wales Farm, est. 1885

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Current Owner: Reuben D. and Susan A. Herndon **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** nephew and nephew's wife

Current Operator: Reuben Herndon Relationship to Owner: same

Origina	l Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised		
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raised		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
69	66	180	175 175		Peas, orchard, timber	Cattle, timber	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: The farm spans the Cowlitz River at a large "S" curve on the East-West half-section line. The river is eroding southernly for a third of a mile from the eastern border and northernly for the next third of a mile.

Additional Information: Wales Spring still flows to a cedar log tank beside Evans Road. A monument commemorating its development by the original owner, Reuben T. Wales, in 1885, was erected in 1992.

Contact: Reuben D. Herndon, 281 Evans Rd., Toledo, WA 98591

The Young Homestead Farm, est. 1886

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Current Owner: Conrad and KatherineThomas

Relationship to 1989 Owner: same

Current Operator: Conrad and Katherine Thomas

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
75	75	78	112	112	Dairy cows, pigs,	Hay, beef cattle
					horses	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: We have switched from dairy farming to raising beef. The original house, water system and orchard remain. Additional Information: The family has a homestead certificate signed by President William McKinley. Conrad and Katherine's daughter and son are the fifth generation on the farm.

Contact: Katherine and Conrad Thomas, 749A Silverbrook Rd., Randle, WA 98377

MASON COUNTY

The Kirkland/Ragan Farm, est. 1877

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Current Owner: Daniel, Frank, Gordon and Marie Ragan

 $\textbf{Relationship to 1989 Owner:} \ sons \ and \ daughter$

Current Operator: Ragan family **Relationship to Owner:** same





Orig	Original Acres			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised		
Retained		ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised		
198	39	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
40)	40	45	40	40	Christmas trees	Hay	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Each member of the family has a home on the property.

Contact: Daniel and Karen Ragan, 6481 W. Skokomish Valley Rd., Shelton, WA 98584

PACIFIC COUNTY

Habersetzer Family Farm, est. 1887

Page 33

Current Owner: Mary Lynette (Habersetzer) and Bob Falkner, Tim Falkner

Relationship to 1989 Owner: same and son

Current Operator: Tim, Bob and Mary Lynette Falkner

Relationship to Owner: same

Origina	l Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
Reta	ined	Farmed	Owned	Operated		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
80	80	1,800	approx.	approx.	Timber, beef	Hay, beef cattle,
			800	800	cattle	timber

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Ruth Habersetzer passed away in 2003. Bob and Mary's son moved back to live in the old farmhouse and continue farming. The fifth generation of the family and all the children are involved with the timber. Several of the original buildings still stand, including two wonderful old barns (one constructed with wooden pegs and hand-hewn timber), the old farmhouse, and one machine shed. Additional Information: Before Ruth passed away she dissolved the jointly-owned partnership with her daughters and gifted separate parcels to each daughter. Mary Lynette's parcel had been put into the Habersetzer Tree Farm LLC, which consists of Bob and Mary Lynette and their four children -- Kate, Tim, Mary Beth and Elly -- so that the special piece of the earth will pass forward to a new generation and remain in the family.

Contact: Mary Lynette and Bob Falkner, 2943 State Rt. 6, Raymond, WA 98577

The Morehead Farm, est. 1885

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This Centennial Farm left family ownership around 1990 when the owner, John A. Morehead, Jr., became unable to continue farming. He died in 1991 at the age of 81.

Contact: Dorothy Williams, 4017 35th Ave. W., Seattle, WA 98199

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The Davidson Farm. est. 1889

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Current Owner: Joseph R. and Peggy L. Dervaes

Relationship to 1989 Owner: same

Current Operator: Joseph R. and Peggy L. Dervaes

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres Retained		Acres			Crops or Livestock Raised	
		Farmed	Owned Operated		Crops of Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
5	5	5	15		Hay, raspberries, fruit trees, eggs, cattle	Fruit trees

Changes in the Past 25 Years: We discontinued farming most crops and livestock raised in the past, and now farm fruit trees. The original house, shop outbuilding, a chicken coop and a barn are still in use today.

Contact: Joseph R. and Peggy L. Dervaes, P.O. Box 318, Vaughn, WA 98394

The John Dillard King Farm, est. 1884

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Current Owner: Monte and Christine King

Relationship to 1989 Owner: cousin and cousin's wife

Current Operator: Monte and Christine King

Relationship to Owner: same





Γ	Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crana ar Li	resteel: Delead
ı			Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
ſ	1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
	55	40	55	40	20	Hay, cattle, chickens	Hay, pigs, chickens, rabbits

Changes in the Past 25 Years: We rebuilt the main house. The barn,

pump house and little house still stand.

Additional Information: Dick Allen Taylor passed away in 2007.

Contact: Monte and Christine King, 6226 416th St. E., Eatonville, WA 98328

The Nix Farm, est. 1852

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Current Owner: Frances M. Nix and Judy Nix

Relationship to 1989 Owner: widows Current Operator: Jeff Spooner Farms Relationship to Owner: not related

Origina	I Acres	Acres			Crops or Livestock Raised		
Retained		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raised		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
127	117	22	117	10	Corn, pumpkins, strawberries, Christmas trees	Blackberries	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: A six- and four-acre parcel were sold over the years for rental buildings. The Linden Golf and Country Club continues to lease the 107 acres that are not farmed.

Contact: Frances M. Nix, 11704 32nd St. E., Edgewood, WA 98372

Sunnycrest Farm, est. 1886

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Current Owner: Nicole Niemann-Carr **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** granddaughter **Current Operator:** Nicole and Tony Carr

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crons or Livestock Reised	
		Farmed	Owned Operated		Crops or Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
42	42	97	52	52	Beef cattle	Cattle, pigs, chickens, grass hay

Changes in the Past 25 Years: We built our house in 2004 and have diversified back to more livestock and continue to work on field/land health as well as other projects to keep the farm sustainable.

Additional Information: My husband and I became owners in 2010. Our son, Colton Carr (born 2005), is the sixth generation to live and farm here. Grama Joyce Niemann still lives in the house she was born in and her daughter, (my aunt) Noel Niemann, lives with her. My father Chuck Niemann lives across the road and helps us often.

Contact: Nicole Niemann-Carr, P.O. Box 981, Vaughn, WA 98394

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The Colvin Ranch, est. 1854

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Current Owner: Doris Colvin

Relationship to 1989 Owner: one of the owners

Current Operator: Fred Colvin **Relationship to Owner:** son

Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crops or Liv	restock Baised
		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
240	240	550	550	550	Hay, cattle	Cattle

Changes in the Past 25 Years: The farm is now protected with an agricultural conservation easement through USDA that will ensure it will always be used for farming.

Additional information: The original house is still in use.

Contact: Fred A. Colvin, 16816 Old Hwy 99 S.E., Tenino, WA 98589





The Hilpert Farm, est. 1858

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Current Owner: Martha Harjo and William Townsend

Relationship to 1989 Owner: daughter and son

Current Operator: William Townsend **Relationship to Owner:** one of the owners

Origin	al Acres		Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised		
Retained		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Raised		
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014	
80	80	172	172	172	Grass hay, trees	Hay, cattle, trees	

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Eileen Hilpert Townsend passed away in 2004. She passed ownership of the farm to her husband Frank Townsend. When he passed away in 2009, the property was divided between their children Bill and Martha. Bill owns the land east of the Skookumchuck River and Martha owns the land west of the river, where she had been gifted two acres 30 years ago to build a house and raise her family.

Additional information: Bill and his family moved into the original farm house in the 1980s. Bill has remodeled the house and the barn. The improvements keep the farm operational. Bill farms his land; Martha's land, which was second growth fir, cedar and alder, was logged in the last five years and has been replanted in trees. The farm looks better now than it did 25 years ago.

Contact: William O. Townsend, 22149 Bucoda Hwy 507 S.E., Centralia, WA 98531

The Spirlock/Nelson Farm, est. 1862

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Current Owner: Richard, Ronald, Kay, Ginny, Scott, Jill, and Karen

Nelson

Relationship to 1989 Owner: same, and fifth generation

Current Operator: Scott Nelson with the help of Ron, Kay, Rick, Jill,

Ginny, and Karen

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops of Livestock Naiseu	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
141	141	900	1,000	1,000	Hay, beef	Beef, hay, wine grapes, grain

Changes in the Past 25 Years: Currently raise all-natural grass-fed cattle. All cattle are born on the prairies of south Thurston County in the spring and range free on the acreage. The fifth generation of the family joined their parents and uncle as farm owners in 1999.

Additional Information: We believe in being responsible stewards of the land. Our sustainable methods include rotational grazing along the lush meadows of the Deschutes River. We have also worked with USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service, a division of the Department of Agriculture, to minimize our impact on the environment by voluntarily building fences along the river, updating our irrigation system, and further limiting animals' access to the river by adding several watering troughs. We also updated drainage in our barns and added a manure storage facility. In 2008 we added roughly 130 red and white wine grape vines as an experimental project. We sell quarters and halves of beef, as well as hamburger by the pound to individuals and local businesses. We are happy to give farm tours for people interested in our methods and products.

Correction to the 1989 Book: James Spirlock purchased 160 acres further south on Rocky Prairie in November 1860, but this land is not currently owned by family.

Contact: Jill Nelson, 3624 Waldrick Road S.E., Olympia, WA 98501





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The Andresen/Johnson Farm, est. 1869

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Current Owner: Earl Marius Johnson **Relationship to 1989 Owner:** son **Current Operator:** Earl Marius Johnson

Relationship to Owner: same

	Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crops or Liv	restock Baised
			Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
	1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
	100	100	147	100	100	Beef, grass hay	Cattle, hay

Additional Information: I became the owner in 1997. We still live in

the original farmhouse.

Contact: Joy M. Johnson, 4305 W. State Rt. 4, Rosburg, WA 98643

The Jim and Marie "Klint" Fauver Farm, est. 1886 Page A-14

Current Owner: Marie "Klint" Fauver

Relationship to 1989 Owner: owner with her husband Jim **Current Operator:** Derek Heitsch and Patricia Edie

Relationship to Owner: neighbors

Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crops or Livestock Baised	
		Farmed	Owned	Operated	Crops or Livestock Raised	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
40	0.55	120	71	71	Cattle, hay	timber

Additional Information: I am a widow since 1991. In 2001, I sold most of the original homestead land to Derek and Pat Heitsch, who produce cattle and hay on their farm. They had rented or sharecropped our cropland for years before my husband Jim died. I still own a little slice of the homestead and most of the timberland purchased by my uncles from the state, which I selectively logged in 1999 and 2000.

Contact: Derek and Pat Heitsch, P.O. Box 51, Grays River, WA 98621

The John O. Ostervold Homestead, est. 1886

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Current Owner: Jacquelyn L. Ostervold

Relationship to 1989 Owner: owner with her husband Charles

Current Operator: Jacquelyn L. Ostervold and Lower Columbia Tree

Farm

Relationship to Owner: same

Original Acres Retained			Acres		Crops or Livestock Raised	
		Farmed	Owned	Operated	estock Kaiseu	
1989	2014	1989	2014		1988	2014
40	40	107	107	107	Horses, sheep	Trees and some horses

Changes in the Past 25 Years: The farm is mostly the same. Additional Information: I am the farm trustee. My husband did not want the farm to be sold, so when he died in 2006, I put it in a trust to ultimately be divided equally between our five children, so it will continue to remain in the Ostervold family.

Contact: Jacqueline Ostervold, 160 Ostervold Road, Cathlamet, WA 98612





Non-Participating Centennial Farms

The following 12 farms in the Southwest Washington and South Puget Sound region did not participate in the 2014 project. This list notes the year the farm was established and the page where you'll find its profile in the 1989 Centennial Farms book.

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The O'Keefe Farm, est. 1881, p. 30 The Wright Farm, est. 1870, p. 29

Cowlitz County

The Klady/Guilt/Taggart Farm, est. 1871, p. 31

Jefferson County

The Huntingford Farm, est. 1860s, p. 49

King County

The Newman Farm, est. 1886, p. 46

Lewis County

The Crumb Farm, est. 1884, p. 38 The Landes Farm, est. 1879, p. 38 The Olsen Farm, est. 1883, p. 36 The Wilson Farm, est. 1887, p. 37

Mason County

Hungry Hollow Farm, est. 1889, p. 48

Thurston County

The Thomas Rutledge Homestead, est. 1856, p. 42

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The Foster Farm, est. 1865, p. 31